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PRESS RELEASE

USAID assistance provides the “Grigor Prlicev” (Ohrid) and “Braka Miladinovci” (Struga) schools with new energy efficient windows

The American people, through the USAID Primary Education Project (PEP), helped the municipalities of Ohrid and Struga to renovate their school buildings with new windows. The “Grigor Prlicev” and “Braka Miladinovci” schools are among a hundred primary schools across Macedonia to be renovated as part of the PEP project, in collaboration with the municipalities and the school communities. USAID/PEP will invest over \$3 million in school renovations.

“Ohrid is the city of literacy, the hometown of St. Kiril and Metodij. Their great name and work obligates us to invest more in our children’s education,” said the Mayor of Ohrid Aleksandar Petreski during the ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the completion of the “Grigor Prlicev” school renovation. “That’s why this investment means a lot not only to this school, but also to us as a municipality.”

“Finally, our dream became a reality,” commented the principal of the “Braka Miladinovci” school Agni Nedjipi. “A new improved learning environment for our children is what we’ve been wanting for years. Today, our children can step into warmer and brighter classrooms.”

The renovation component of the USAID Primary Education Project supports the creation of better learning environments and decentralization of school facilities to municipal governments. The project also works to increase the access and use of information technology and to improve the quality of math and science education in Macedonian primary schools.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

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